



Eagle Materials Inc. Declares Quarterly Dividend

DALLAS, Oct 18, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- The Board of Directors of Eagle Materials Inc. (NYSE: EXP and EXP.B), has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.30 per share, payable on January 26, 2006 to stockholders of record of its Common Stock and stockholders of record of its Class B Common Stock at the close of business on December 22, 2005.

Eagle Materials Inc. is a Dallas-based company that manufactures and distributes Cement, Gypsum Wallboard, Recycled Paperboard, Concrete and Aggregates.

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